**Complaint against Manager, Marathwada Gramin Bank of Sirsdevi**

2960. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any complaints against the Manager of Marathwada Gramin Bank of Sirsdevi, District Beed in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the nature of complaints; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c). Government have recently received a complaint regarding corruption in the matter of sanction of loans against the Manager of Sirsdevi Branch of Marathwada Gramin Bank, District Beed, Maharashtra. On investigations, if charges are established against the Manager or any other employee of the concernd Branch of th Gramin Bank, the Bank will take necessary action against them in accordance with the rules regulating their service conditions.

**Preparation of electoral rolls in Assam**

2961. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Election Commission has since issued instructions for preparing the electoral rolls on the basis of 1966 list in Assam;

(b) whether the Attorney General advised otherwise;

(c) what are the reasons for which the Attorney General's views were not accepted; and

(d) what are the reasons for the acceptance of 1966 rolls as the basis for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir. The Election Commission has not issued any such instruction. The Election Commission has ordered an intensive revision of the electoral rolls in Assam in pursuance of its uniform practice of arranging for such a revision before each General Election for constituting a new House upon the expiration of the term of the Lok Sabha/Legislative Assembly. In an intensive revision, no roll can be used as a base roll.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

**Structure and direction of hidden and open subsidies**

2962. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since examined the structure and direction of the hidden as well as open subsidies; and

(b) if so, what are the results of the examination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) and (b). As the Finance Minister, in his Budget Speech, has stated, the existing programmes including subsidies will have to be evaluated before inclusion in the Eighth Plan to ascertain whether value for money is being obtained, whether the desired results could be achieved at a lesser cost by better targetting, consolidation of multiple programmes, and greater decentralisation linked to mobilisation of local resources.

**Agreement on sharing-Ganga waters with Bangladesh**

2963. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to enter into a new agreement with Bangladesh on the sharing of Ganga Waters; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in this Direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b). New agreement is to be arrived at after completing the negotiations.

**Brady Plan on foreign debt repayments**

2964. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since given their consent to the implementation of Brady Plan on foreign debt repayments; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b). The Interim Committee of the International Monetary Fund at its meeting held on April 3-4, 1989 considered the proposals made by several countries—including that of the Secretary of the US Treasury Mr. Brady, designed to deal with the debt position and to place greater emphasis on debt and debt servic reduction. The Committee requested the Executive Board of the IMF to consider the issues and action involved in the proposals and also agreed that the Fund hould provide resources in appropriate mounts to members to facilitate debt reluction operations for countries undertaking sound economic reforms, by setting side a portion of the members purchases nder Fund supported Arrangements. Vhile welcoming the provision of additional funds by industrialised countries nd multilateral institutions to all developing countries especially low income countries, we have stressed the need for the ind to have an objective criteria for nding support to the member countries and to keep conditionality at an appropriate level. We have also stated that support for debt reduction programmes should not come in the way of normal operations of the Fund to support member countries in their balance of payments needs.

**Reduction in the supply of Irrigation Water to West Bengal by the DVC**

2965. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) has been reducing the supply of irrigation water to West Bengal for the last few years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) the quantity of water supplied from DVC to West Bengal during the last five years; yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a )and (b). Th releases from D.V.C. Reservoirs for irrigation in West Bengal are made under the guidance of Damodar Valley Reservoir Regulation (DVRR) Committee on which the Govenment of West Bengal is also represented.

(c) Taking into account the available storage position, the DVRR Committee had allocated 476, 784, 653, 604 and 425 million cubic metres of water in 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89 respectively.

**Donations to political parties in India by the Agha Khan**

2966. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether the Agha Khan who visited India earlier this year made any donations to any political party; if so, to whom and how much?